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To: Subst. House Bill No. **5371**

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(As Amended by House Amendment Schedules "A", "B", "F" and "I")

"AN ACT CONCERNING OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WHILE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF INTOXICATING LIQUOR AND RESTRICTING THE USE OF MOBILE TELEPHONES."

1 Strike section 5 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:

"Sec. 5. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2002) (a) For the purposes of this section, (1) "driving while distracted" means the operation of a motor vehicle while engaged in a distractive activity in a manner that interferes with the free and proper use of the public highways or endangers users of the public highways, and (2) "distractive activity" means an activity not directly related to the operation of the motor vehicle that includes, but is not limited to: Reading; writing; consuming food, beverages or tobacco; changing garments; using mobile telephones, AM, FM or CB radios, audio or video cassette players, compact disc players, televisions or any other audio or video devices; using pagers, portable computers, two-way radios, radar

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detectors, personal digital assistants, geographic positioning system receivers or similar devices; applying make-up, shaving, combing hair or attending to other forms of personal grooming; or interacting with passengers or pets.

(b) Any person driving while distracted shall have committed an infraction and for the first violation shall be fined not less than one hundred fifty dollars nor more than three hundred dollars, and for each subsequent violation shall be fined not less than two hundred fifty dollars nor more than five hundred dollars or imprisoned not more than fifteen days, or be both fined and imprisoned."

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